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EARTH TECH DAILY SAFETY MEETING

DATE:

TIME:

CLIENT: EPA Region 2

SPECIFIC LOCATION: Raritan Bay Slag Site

JOB #: 112160

SAFETY TOPICS PRESENTED

****Inspect equipment & tools before use, then operate equipment & tools properly.**

PROTECTIVE CLOTHING/EQUIPMENT: Level D, gloves, hard hat, safety glasses, and hearing protection as needed

CHEMICAL HAZARDS: lead in excluded/fenced beach area

PHYSICAL HAZARDS: slips, trips & falls, equipment safety, heat stress, weather/storms

HOSPITAL/CLINIC: Robert Wood Johnson Hospital **PH #** 732-828-3000

1 Robert Wood Johnson Place, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

****Report all near misses & all accidents to me immediately!!!***

OTHER: - Report any unsafe jobsite conditions ASAP!!

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT: *Bobcat auger*

******Don't discuss this project with anyone, refer them to the EPA OSC.**

ATTENDEES:

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION			
Job/Task Name: Removal and chipping of aboveground portions of split rail fencing			
Project Name: Raritan Bay Slag Pile		Project Location: Sayreville, NJ	
Project Manager: Rob Flowers		Analysis Performed By: Sean Liddy/Carl Duffey	
Date Job/Task to be performed: 6/8/09 thru 6/12/09		Type of Job/Task: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One time <input type="checkbox"/> Routine job/task	
Responsible Organization: AECOM		Job Supervisor: Carl Duffey	
JOB EVENT SEQUENCE			
LIST ONE STEP OF THE JOB FOR EACH LINE. (ATTACH ADDITIONAL JOB EVENT SEQUENCE FORM(S) AS NECESSARY) PAGE 1 OF 2			
1. Pre-operational check of equipment		5. Upright post pulled 6-8 inches out of ground using synthetic sling and excavator	
2. Ensure area cleared for utilities (over/under)		6. Ensure no tension on sling prior cutting	
3. Track equipment to task location ensuring clear route		7. Cut sub-grade portion of post with chainsaw and leave in ground. Use sledge hammer to drive remaining portion of post back into ground.	
4. Remove and stockpile rails		8. Use sledge hammer to drive remaining portion of post back into ground	
CHEMICAL HAZARDS		PHYSICAL HAZARDS	
<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos <input type="checkbox"/> Acids <input type="checkbox"/> Caustics <input type="checkbox"/> Chlorinated hydrocarbons (TCE) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lead <input type="checkbox"/> Gasoline or diesel fuel <input type="checkbox"/> BTEX <input type="checkbox"/> Jet fuel (JP-4, JP-5, JP-8) <input type="checkbox"/> PCBs <input type="checkbox"/> Cadmium <input type="checkbox"/> Compressed gases/asphyxiants <input type="checkbox"/> PAHs <input type="checkbox"/> Welding fumes <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen sulfide <input type="checkbox"/> Other metals	<input type="checkbox"/> Bunker fuel/oil <input type="checkbox"/> Explosives (TNT) <input type="checkbox"/> Dust <input type="checkbox"/> Dioxins <input type="checkbox"/> Pesticides/Herbicides <input type="checkbox"/> MTBE <input type="checkbox"/> Methylene chloride <input type="checkbox"/> Waste oil <input type="checkbox"/> Hydraulic fluid <input type="checkbox"/> Petroleum hydrocarbons	<input type="checkbox"/> Electricity/High voltage <input type="checkbox"/> Elevated work areas (fall hazard) <input type="checkbox"/> Non-ionizing radiation (RF/UV/IR) <input type="checkbox"/> OE/UXO <input type="checkbox"/> Hand tool usage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Power tool usage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heavy equipment operations <input type="checkbox"/> Drill rig (HSA, DP, Air Rotary) <input type="checkbox"/> Excavations (engulfment/collapse) <input type="checkbox"/> Confined space entry	<input type="checkbox"/> Ionizing radiation <input type="checkbox"/> Eye hazards (impact, light, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Slips, trips, and falls <input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous noise <input type="checkbox"/> Heat or cold stress <input type="checkbox"/> Oxygen-deficient atmosphere <input type="checkbox"/> Oxygen-enriched atmosphere <input type="checkbox"/> Explosive atmosphere <input type="checkbox"/> Powder-actuated tools <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicular traffic
Other Chemical/Physical Hazards (List): <u>Ensure all tension removed from railing prior to cutting post. Review equipment safety cards prior to using chainsaw. Review of SH&E 401 prior to use of chipper.</u>			
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) REQUIRED		OTHER SAFETY EQUIPMENT/CONSIDERATIONS	
Boots: <input type="checkbox"/> Rubber (safety-foe) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leather (safety-toe) General: <input type="checkbox"/> Coveralls (type) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hearing protection (plugs/muffs) <input type="checkbox"/> FF APR (cartridges) <input type="checkbox"/> 1/2-face APR (cartridges) <input type="checkbox"/> Safety harness & lanyard <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ANSI-approved Hard hat	Eye Protection: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Face shield <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Safety glasses or goggles <input type="checkbox"/> Welder's helmet/goggles Gloves: <input type="checkbox"/> Chemically-protective (type) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leather/cloth <input type="checkbox"/> Welder's <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical safety (volts)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire ext. 1A:10B:C (rating) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First-aid kit <input type="checkbox"/> Dust control/mitigation Other (List): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Portable eyewash <input type="checkbox"/> Fire watch <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic control measures
Other (List): <u>High-Vis Safety Vest, chainsaw chains, and face shield</u>			
APPLICABLE SOPs (SEE HASP/SSHP/APP)		TRAINING REQUIREMENTS	
SH&E 109, SH&E 113, SH&E 401, SH&E 513, SH&E 516		Site Specific Safety Briefing, 40-hr HAZWOPER, FA/CPR, blood Lead monitoring,	

JOB EVENT SEQUENCE (CONT'D)	
LIST ONE STEP OF THE JOB FOR EACH LINE:	PAGE 2 OF 2
11. Chip rails and posts	
12. Preoperational check of chipper (ensure E-stop buttons and bars functional)	
13. Ensure location of chip pile is clear and marked to prevent personnel from being struck by flying debris.	
14. Ensure no loose clothing or other items that could get caught are worn.	
15. As chipper takes debris, personnel stand clear. Do not attempt to un-jam stuck item by hand. Use other rail or post.	
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MONITORING PROCEDURES			
PARAMETER	LOCATION AND INTERVAL	RESPONSE LEVEL Meter units/ppm above background)	RESPONSE
Dust, Mist, Aerosols (Total by PDR)	Continually in the worker's breathing zone during intrusive activities involving impacted materials. In addition, site perimeter monitoring may be initiated by the SSO based on elevated air monitoring results.	Initial excavation or disturbance of unknown materials	Level C ensemble as listed in this HASP and per SSO and SH&E Manager.
		< 0.25 mg/m ³ (Sustained for more than 5 minutes)	Continue Level D work and continue monitoring.
		≥ 0.25 mg/m ³ (Sustained for more than 5 minutes)	Upgrade to Level C PPE. Contact the RM and SSO, implement mitigation measures, and continue Level C (minimum GMA/P100 cartridges or equivalent chemical cartridge combined with P100) and continue monitoring. Personnel air sampling required (see below).
		≥ 5 mg/m ³ (Sustained for more than 5 minutes)	Temporarily cease work operations, contact the RM and SH&E Manager to discuss improving site mitigation measures. Possible upgrade to Level B for exclusion zone workers.
Dust, Mist Aerosols (8-hr TWA)	Personal air samples taken in worker's breathing zone during intrusive activities involving impacted materials.	≥ 0.25 mg/m ³ Collect cassettes for analysis	Consult with SH&E Department.

ACCEPTED SIGNATURES	
Site/Field Supervisor: Carl Duffey	SSO/SH&E: Carl Duffey/Sean Liddy, CHST

DATE: 06/05/09
RARITAN BAY SLAG PILE
TASK HAZARD ANALYSIS FORM

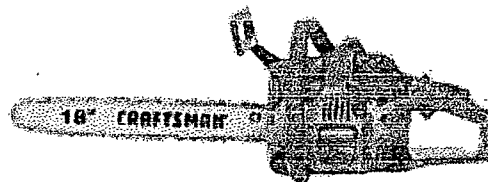
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SAFETY CARD

CHAINSAW

Objective / Overview:

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Safe Operating Guidelines:

A sharp chainsaw is safer than a dull one. Keep the saw clean, lubricated, and adjusted. Before starting work inspect and test the chain brake, chain catch, throttle lock, handles and guards, all nuts and bolts, spark arrester, and muffler and air filter. The chain tension should be properly adjusted and the carburetor tuned. Never "drop start" the saw.

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Potential Hazards:

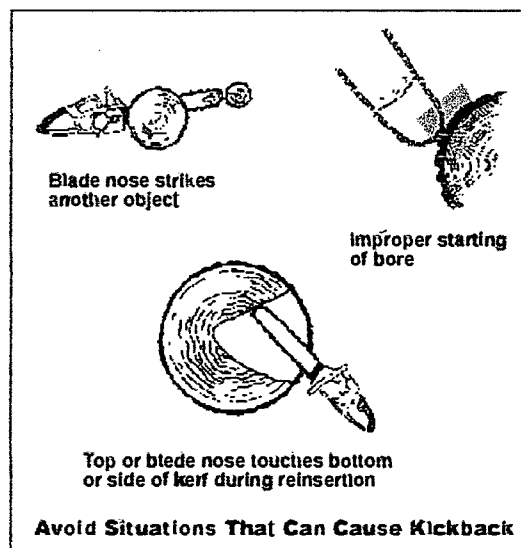
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- Demonstrated knowledge on the use of a chainsaw
- Review of manufacturers operating guidelines

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- Debris Shield
- Chainsaw Chaps
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- Hearing Protection



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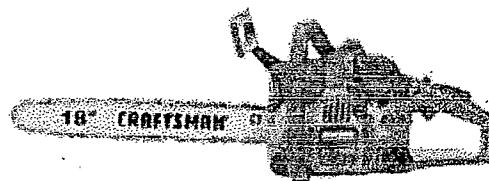
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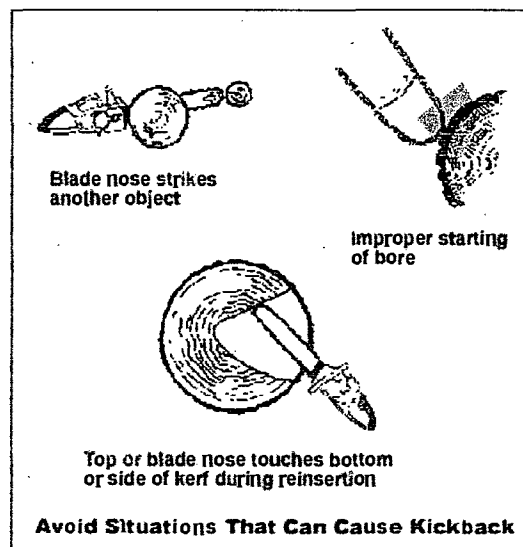
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 Earth Tech A Tyco International Ltd. Company Safety, Health & Environmental Procedure	PROCEDURE NO. <u>SH&E 401</u> DATE <u>March 11, 2005</u> REVISED <u>June 1, 2008</u>
Clearing & Grubbing	PREVIOUSLY <u>ENV 533</u>

This procedure applies to all U.S.-based personnel, projects, offices, business units and activities. Any exceptions to this procedure must be approved, in writing, by the responsible District/Business Unit Manager and Safety Manager.

1.0 PURPOSE

Establish safe-operating requirements for employees engaged in the use of tools and equipment typically associated with clearing and grubbing activities (especially chainsaws and wood chippers).

2.0 SCOPE

This procedure applies to all clearing and grubbing activities performed by Earth Tech personnel.

3.0 PROCEDURES

3.1 Training

Operators must be carefully instructed in the use of equipment before use and should be provided with a copy of this procedure, an Earth Tech issued Equipment Safety Card for each power tool in use (Refer to SH&E 516 – Equipment Safety Cards for further guidance), and relevant manufacturer information on equipment operation and maintenance. During the training period, inexperienced employees should be under constant supervision from an experienced operator. In addition, all powered equipment must be inspected prior to use.

The operator must be completely familiar with the controls and proper use of the equipment.

3.2 PPE

- Minimum PPE required includes hardhat, steel-toe safety boots, safety glasses, hearing protection, leather gloves and debris shield. Loose fitting clothing, gauntlet gloves, and jewelry should not be worn when operating chainsaws or wood chippers.
- Chainsaw operations require the use of chainsaw chaps (leather leggings are not suitable)
- Employees working aloft in trees will use a safety belt, safety strap, tree-trimming saddle belt, or rope saddle belt. Personnel working aloft in aerial platforms will adhere to the fall protection requirements specified in SH&E 120 - *Fall Protection Program*.
- A high visibility reflectorized safety vest will be worn when working around vehicular traffic.

3.3 Fire Prevention

- Fuel should only be stored in approved metal safety cans and labeled as to contents.
- The container should have a metal spout and funnel provided to allow for electrical bonding during fuel transfer.
- Motorized equipment will be turned off while being refueled.
- Smoking is prohibited during refueling.
- After completing fueling, carefully wipe off any fuel spilled before starting the engine.
- Keep a type A:B:C fire extinguisher available at all times in the work area.
- Keep the equipment clean of fuel, oil, and sawdust.

4.0 EQUIPMENT-SPECIFIC HAZARDS

4.1 Wood Chipping Hazards

Wood chipping equipment should be used with extreme caution in order to prevent personal injury, as the chipping mechanism is open to receive tree branches and other wooden material. The cutting blades begin to rotate when the engine starts and slows down only gradually after the engine is shut off.

The following safe work practices should be observed:

- Care should be taken to avoid foreign objects such as metal, glass or rocks that could damage equipment and become projectiles
- Personnel will not wear loose clothing, gauntlet gloves, or hand/wrist jewelry when operating a chipper.
- No part of an employee's body will be placed on the chipper table.
- The discharge chute will not be raised while the rotor is turning.
- A chipper will be fed from the side of the centerline, and the employee will immediately turn away when the brush is taken into the rotor chamber.
- Bystanders should be kept at least **25** feet away when in operation.
- Never try to clear blockages by hand and always engage the chipping mechanism gradually using the safety handle.
- Brush chippers will be provided with a locking device on the ignition system that prevents startup when the key is removed.
- Access panels must be closed and secured before chippers are used.
- The infeed hopper or table will be of a design to prevent an employee from reaching the rotor blades or knives during normal operation.
- Trailer-type chippers will have wheels chocked when in use.
- The feed openings will be protected with flap-type guards to prevent kickback of chips.

4.2 Chainsaw Hazards

Chain saws can be obtained in a variety of horsepower levels and sizes. Some points to consider before selection include size of job, balance of the saw, hand guards, kickback protection features, vibration reduction systems, and convenience and ease of refueling.

Chain saws should be used with caution in order to prevent personal injury, as the cutting mechanism is unguarded. Kickback is the single biggest cause of chain saw injuries. A kickback is the sudden and potentially violent rearward and or upward movement of the chain saw. It is often caused by the chain striking the wood or other object on the top quadrant on the tip of the chain guide bar. It can also be caused by binding or pinching in the cut. Several kickback protection techniques are used with chainsaws.

- Before starting a cut, an employee will check for:
 - Other employees in the area.
 - Dead limbs.
 - Angle of tree.
 - Wind condition.
 - Location of other trees.
 - Other hazards.
- Before starting a cut, an employee will plan a retreat path. In addition, an employee will not cut a tree during a storm, high wind, or when covered with snow or ice, unless it is an emergency and the supervisor concurs with the necessity.
- If others are present, a verbal warning will be provided before dropping a limb.
- Earth Tech employees will not climb trees to cut limbs, etc. They will use an aerial lift or man basket to cut limbs higher than can be reached from the ground.
- A cut limb will not be left aloft overnight unless it is secured to the tree.
- When possible, the employee will cut a limb from the opposite side and above.
- Branches under tension will have the tension released before being cut.
- When topping, a crane will be used to lower branches and limbs if the tree cannot withstand the strain.
- When lowering a limb or branch, the employee in the tree will, whenever possible, place himself/herself above the limb being lowered.
- Assistants will be told precisely what to do. Other employees will be cleared to a minimum of (1X) the tree height away.
- An undercut will be large enough (about one-third the diameter) to safely guide the tree and reduce the chance of splitting.
- A back cut will leave sufficient hinge wood (the distance between the notch and back cut) to guide the tree's fall in the desired direction and to hold the tree to its stump for most of its fall. The back cut will be about 2 inches above the undercut, and as level as possible.
- Before starting a back cut, the area will be cleared of people and equipment.
- The saw will be shut off before the person starts retreating.
- Where the tree may slide or role, the person will cut from the uphill side.

- An audible warning will be given just before the tree starts to fall (e.g., "Timber!").
- If the tree may fall the wrong way, wedges, block and tackle, or rope will be used to control the fall.
- When cutting a felled tree into pieces (bucking), the following safety procedures will be followed:
 - The employee will work from the uphill side.
 - The log or limb will be blocked from rolling.
 - The trunk and limbs of large trees will be wedged to prevent binding the saw guide or chain.
- Branches or limbs will not be placed in such a way as to create a hazard.
- A power saw will be turned off when being raised or lowered, or when not in use.

4.3 Brush Clearing

- **Machetes** – use in light brush (less than 1-inch diameter trunks):
 - Keep machete in a scabbard when it is not in use.
 - Sharpen machete to ensure a clean bite; the blade should not be sharpened for the first 6 inches from the handle nor the last 2 inches from the point.
 - Install a saber-type hand guard on the machete. This will help prevent the tool from accidentally being thrown during a swing.
 - Do not hit the ground with your machete; the flexible blade could recoil from the impact, resulting in an injury.
 - Clear the swing area prior to advancing through a brushy area. An interrupted swing could deflect the tool into the user.
- **Ax, Brush Ax, or Hatchet** – use in heavier brush (more than 1-inch diameter trunks):
 - Keep axes sharp; a dull ax tends to glance off of wood, while a sharp ax will bite into the wood.
 - Use hatchets for small jobs such as splitting wood. Lightly tap the log to start the hatchet, then lift the log and force the hatchet through by striking the log on a solid block of wood.
 - Do not use the hatchet to drive nails. The head of the hatchet is not tempered to withstand the force of driving, and a metal splinter may pop off.

5.0 References

SH&E 120 – *Fall Protection Program*

SH&E 404 – *Manual Lifting*

SH&E 514 – *Manlifts*

SH&E 516 – *Equipment Safety Cards*

SH&E 606 – *Flammable & Combustible Materials*